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7 JOHN P. ANDERSON,
8 Plaintiff,
9 v.
10 JACK DURAN, et al.,
11 Defendants.
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14 Case No. 13-cv-04825-RS
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**ORDER RE OPPOSITION TO MOTION
TO RELATE CASES**

17 The belated opposition filed by defendants in this case to the motion to relate *Picayune*
18 *Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians v. Department of Interior*, 14-4273, hereto appears to be based
19 on a fundamentally flawed premise—that by relating the two matters the earlier-filed action,
20 already closed, will somehow be revived. Defendants mistakenly suggest that they must now
21 participate in the newly-filed action even though judgment has been entered here, and they have
22 not been named in the new case, merely because two matters have been “related.” To the
23 contrary, an order relating cases under Civil Local Rule 3-12 does no more than cause
24 reassignment of the later-filed case to the same judicial officer who presided over the former
25 litigation. As the act of relating the two cases, in and of itself, creates no new burdens or
26 obligations for defendants in this case, their opposition is without logical basis, and the order
27 relating cases shall remain in effect.
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1 IT IS SO ORDERED.
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RICHARD SEEBORG
United States District Judge

United States District Court
Northern District of California